

ROOSEVELT, Wasatch County

Population: 1920, 1,054; 1930, 1,051.

The Uintah Standard, Volume 1, Number 1, January 29, 1909, only 4 abbreviated columns of type on the front page, the other 3 pages being blank. It said: "The Uintah Standard, a weekly newspaper, here-with presents itself for favorable consideration. . . . The publisher, E. T. Hyde, has had considerable experience in this line. . . . Through the kindness of Mr. C. C. Larsen, the popular merchant, the Standard is located in the north front of his building."

it or not—omits all material shown in the above issue, and gives two columns of news and 4 columns of advertisements on the front page. There are 3 ready print pages and 1 inserted sheet. Possibly the first above was run off before the ready prints arrived! Hyde's name was omitted from the title line March 5, 1909. As far as we were able to determine the *Uintah Standard* thus fell, about mid-March 1909.

The Roosevelt Standard, Volume 1, Number 1, August 29, 1914, published every Saturday at Roosevelt, J. P. May, publisher. Arnold Reef, editor. "The Standard is born again, unfurled this time to remain!" Evidently the reference is to the Uintah Standard, above. In the issue of February 1, 1915, a news item says J. P. May, who was editor of the Duchesne Record and manager of the Roosevelt Standard, had severed his connections with those papers and moved to Salt Lake City.

"The past week the Roosevelt Standard Company was incorporated ed," says the Duchesne Record February 15, 1915. Arnold Reef was manager and editor from June 21, 1916, to August 23, 1922. In the issue of August 30, 1922, Arnold Reef signs this: "Eight years ago the writer came among you and started the Roosevelt Standard . . . This town is too large for a one-man newspaper . . . I trust that my friends will give the Standard their heartiest support and cooperation."

The issue of September 6, 1922, carries the new masthead: James H. Wallis, editor and publisher, William B. Wallis, manager. (Father and brother respectively of Mrs. Violet Harrison, wife of George H. Harrison.) The Western Newspaper Union ready print account from October 12, 1923 to date is in the name of Mrs. Violet Harrison. Beginning August 27, 1924, the masthead shows George H. Harrison, editor and publisher; Violet Harrison, business manager.

The Myton Free Press, February 5, 1925, refers to the Roosevelt Standard as "The Andy Gump of Utah Journalism!" But the Free Press is gone and the Standard is stronger than ever, after many years! Harrison & Harrison to date. Would this be Mrs. Harrison's beginning?

From the Provo, Daily Territorial Enquirer, December 16, 1889: "Another Evidence of a Boom: It has been customary for our Mr. James H. Wallis to come up to the Enquirer Office on a Sunday morning

is a part of the Manassa Ward and may be considered a continuation of the Mountain View Branch. About 1900, most of the people moved away from Mountain View and located at or near Romeo. The saints of the Romeo Branch purchased a chapel from the Presbyterians in which meetings and Sunday school sessions are held. Nathaniel B. Culler was president of the branch in 1930.

ROOSEVELT STAKE OF ZION consisted of the Latter-day Saints residing in the west part of Uintah County and the east part of Duchesne County, Utah. The stake is bounded on the north by the Uintah Mountains, east by the White Rock River, the Sand Ridge and the Bookcliff Mountains, south by the Bookcliff Mountains, and west by the Duchesne Stake. Roosevelt Stake consists of eleven wards, as follows: Alterra, Bennett, Cedar View, Ioka, Leota, Moffatt, Montwel, Myton, Neola, Randlett and Roosevelt. Meetings were held in the Roosevelt Amusement Hall, a building erected in 1911, with additions made in 1917, and owned jointly by the Roosevelt Ward and the Roosevelt Stake, but this building was completely destroyed by fire Dec. 7, 1930. The local high school building is now being used as stake and ward headquarters, but a stake tabernacle, to be used also for ward purposes, is under consideration to be erected at a cost of \$70,000.

On June 26, 1920, the east part of the Duchesne Stake, or the Alterra, Bennett, Cedarview, Hayden, Ioka, Myton, Neola, Randlett and Roosevelt wards, were organized as the Roosevelt Stake of Zion with William H. Smart (formerly president of the Duchesne Stake) as president. Three other wards have since been added, namely, Moffatt Ward in 1921, Montwel Ward in 1923, and Leota Ward in 1925. Hayden Ward was discontinued in 1923. Pres. Smart was succeeded in 1922 by Byron O. Colton, who presided Dec. 31, 1930, on which date the stake had a membership of 3,614, including 934 children.

Following are the names of the counselors who have acted in the stake presidency: First counselor: Ephraim Lambert, 1920-1930. Second counselors: Byron O. Colton, 1920-1922, and Frederick S. Musser, 1922-1930. Douglas A. Todd was the first stake clerk. He was succeeded four months later by William H. Cagon, who died Feb. 12, 1923, and was succeeded by John E. Wiscombe, who acted as clerk at the close of 1930.

ROOSEVELT WARD. Roosevelt Stake, Duchesne Co., Utah, is located in the so-called Dry Gulch country, a fertile farming region. The town was named in honor of President Theodore Roosevelt and is the headquarters of the Roosevelt Stake of Zion. The center of the ward is eight miles west of Fort Duchesne, 32 miles southwest of Vernal and 11 miles northeast of Myton.

Roosevelt is an outgrowth of the Duchesne Ward, which on Sept. 10, 1907, was divided into three divisions to be known as the Roosevelt, the Indian Bench and the Hayden branches. Bishop Ephraim Lambert of the Duchesne Ward was given jurisdiction over the Roosevelt district. On Aug. 20, 1908, the Duchesne Ward was reorganized, Bishop Lambert being released as Bishop and Daniel Lambert appointed to preside as Bishop of the Roosevelt Ward, which embraced much of the territory formerly included in the Duchesne Ward. In 1911 Bishop Daniel Lambert was succeeded by Paul Soren Hansen, who in 1914 was succeeded by Joseph Heber Lambert, who was succeeded in 1919 by David Bennion, who acted until 1920, when the Roosevelt Ward was divided into two wards, namely, Roosevelt 1st Ward and Roosevelt 2nd Ward.

When the Roosevelt Stake of Zion was organized in 1920 from the east part of the Duchesne Stake, Roosevelt was designated as the headquarters of the new stake. The division of Roosevelt Ward into two wards only lasted from June 26, 1920, to May 5, 1929, when they were

amalgamated and Ray E. Dillman was appointed Bishop of the consolidated ward. He acted in this position Dec. 31, 1930, at which time Roosevelt Ward had a membership of 1,022, including 243 children. The total population of the Roosevelt Precinct in 1930 was 1,553, of whom 1,051 resided in the town of Roosevelt.

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ROSE WARD. Blackfoot Stake, Bingham Co., Idaho, consists of the

Latter-day Saints residing in a school district which, when created, was named after an old settler by the name of Rose. The ward embraces an agricultural district extending from Snake River on the southeast to the lava beds on the north. The center of the ward is about 14 miles north northeast of Blackfoot.

Rose Ward, an outgrowth of Groveland Ward, was organized May 16, 1915, with Joseph Samuel Gardner as Bishop. He was succeeded in 1928 by Walter B. Jackman, who presided Dec. 31, 1930. On that date the Rose Ward had 302 members, including 69 children. The total population of the Rose Precinct was 428 in 1930.

When the ward was first organized, meetings were held in the district school house, but in 1916 a frame building, called the "All Purpose Hall," was erected, in which meetings were held. This structure was destroyed by fire. In 1926 the saints of the ward, assisted by the Church, erected a fine brick chapel with an auditorium capable of seating 300 persons.

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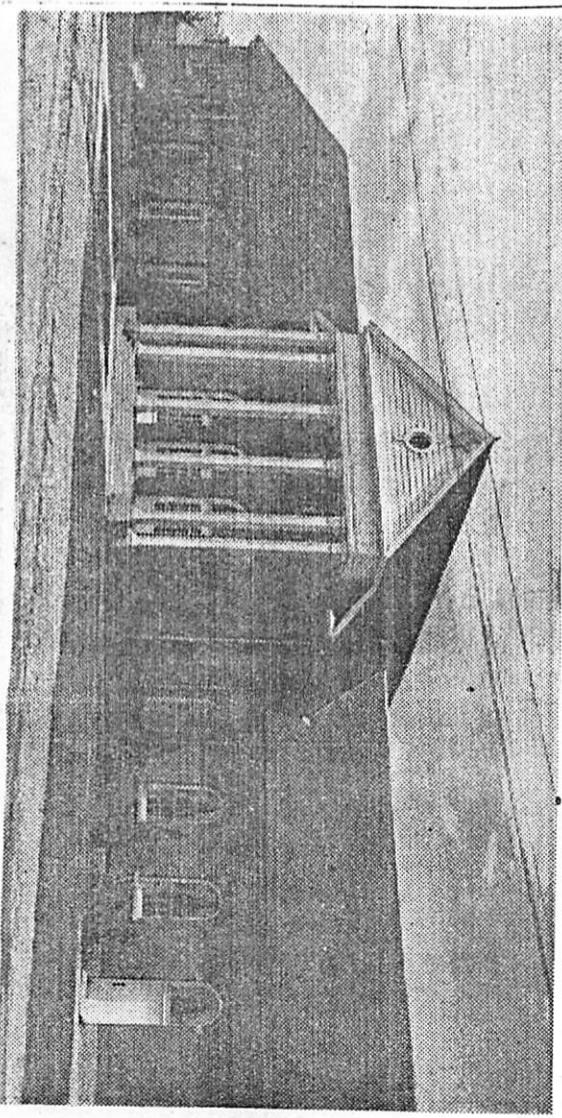
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UNIQUE SO MANY of the "Towns of the Week" that have been recognized in The News, Roosevelt does not have a pioneer origin. In fact, the community is little more than forty years old, the first settlers having come in 1906.

In 1905 the government threw open the Uintah - Ouray Indian Reservation for a limited amount of white settlement. Carrying out its treaty with the Indians, in which the government had promised to give them irrigated lands, the United States had built and were building hundreds of miles of irrigation canals which would bring water to thousands of acres of irrigable land.

THE UNTAH BASIN has some 550,000 acres of such land, or between one half and one-third of all the irrigable land in the entire state. The "pioneers" of the Basin, who settled in and

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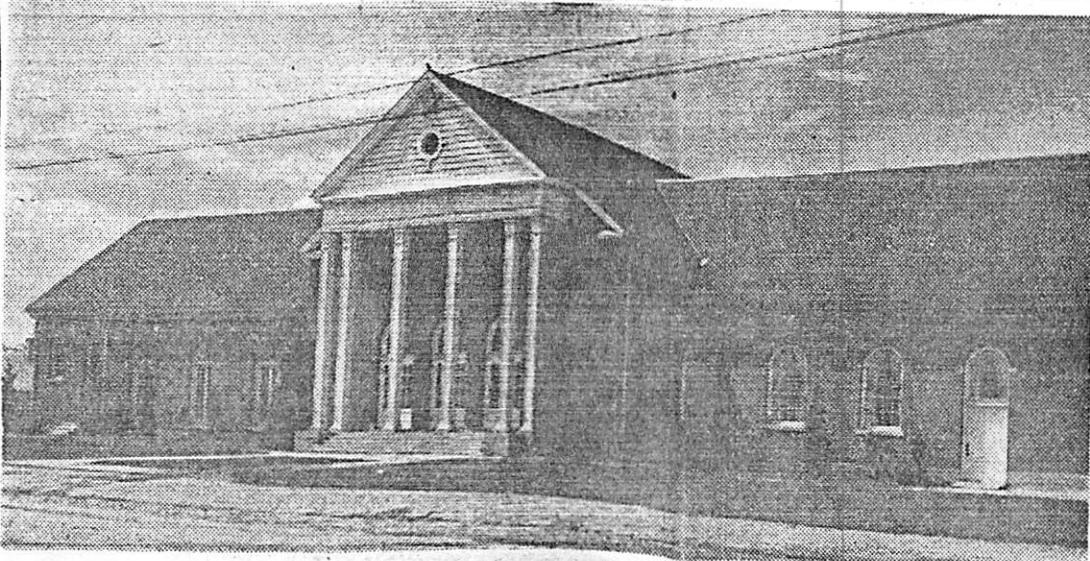
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The friars tried again, but in vain, to solve their difficulties. They built a raft out of logs, but it was driven back by the swift current and eddying whirlpools. A horse was killed that night for food as all the supplies were gone. All about the wind was sighing through great emptiness. The bent shadows climbed about. A great loneliness opened up and swallowed the little party completely. Because they could not cross the river the Franciscan fathers decided that this "tierra incognita" was insuperable.

NO WONDER THAT the Hopi Indians long ago obeyed legendary edict prohibiting them to dwell beyond "the great water chasm." No wonder that even the venturesome Navajoes clambered through these gorges only



INVITATION TO WORSHIP—The charming building in which the First and Second Wards of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints meet to worship is in the best tradition of religious structures, but yet very modern. It is of red brick, with white trim.



CENTER OF CITY LIFE—This buff brick, modernistic building houses the municipal government and the fine public library. Miss Gladys Long (left) and Mrs. Alfred Long pause on the wide lawn. Miss Long is carrying Mrs. Long's son, Eugene.

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Tribune Intermountain Tour

browsing through
The Basin

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Tribune Travel Editor

TRY the unspoiled wilderness of the Uinta Mountains; enjoy the majestic canyons of the Green and Yampa Rivers, and live awhile in their vast solitudes. Ride their boiling waters and foaming rapids, for the thrills of a lifetime. In fact, in Utah's Uintah Basin and its environs you can find virtually any type outdoor vacation you want.

We like the route over Wolf Creek Summit into the Basin. You leave U.S. 40 at Hailstone and follow up the Provo River, wondering if you can resist the likely looking fishing spots. This Utah 35 is a mountain road, but in excellent condition, looping through pine and

aspen forests until it reaches Hanna, and then it winds through green, fertile farmlands down the Duchesne River to Duchesne.

Up the North Fork of the Duchesne you'll find ideal camping and picnic spots, and when the stream drops to normal, the fishing along here can get good. Or if you want to get where you always catch fish, the wranglers at Defas or Moon Lake or the Davis Ranch will pack you high into the Uintas and their countless lakes.

ROOSEVELT, virtually in the center of the basin, is the gateway to much of the Uinta Wilderness area, with roads crossing the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation and penetrating a number of canyons on the west slope of the mountains. Nearer at hand, Lake Boreham, southwest of Roosevelt, and three miles north of Bridgewater, is being developed as a recreation area, where boating, swimming and fishing can be enjoyed. This is an irrigation reservoir, but an ideal spot for picnics and family outings for a day. The Uintah Basin Industrial Conference is scheduled at Roosevelt August 8, 9 and 10, and Indians will stage their traditional sun-dance at Whiterocks sometime during July.

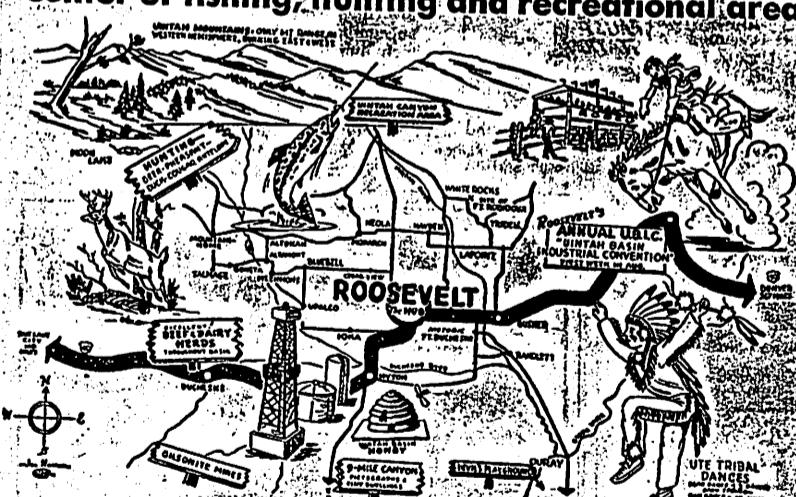
Vernal, metropolis of the basin, has plenty to offer the vacationer. In addition to the many attractions in the nearby mountains and canyons, there's a municipal swimming pool where visitors are welcome, a fine municipal golf course, and the Utah Field House of Natural History. Here is exhibited a 500-million year record of prehistoric life. Features of the museum include a Utah Room, Natural History Hall and a Geology and Fossil Hall. It is open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily during the summer months.

Just six miles out of Vernal, over a surfaced road, you'll find a much improved Merleby Park, a huge amphitheater shadowed by sheer cliffs that long has been a favorite recreation area.

HEADING into the High Uintas on the Vernal-Manilla highway you'll find another fine surprise. Twenty miles of the most beautiful mountain highway you've ever traveled, and the narrow dog-way that used to scare motorists silly, is a thing of the past. The road is broad, beautifully engineered with wide, sweeping curves, and it ends just seven miles short of Green Lakes. It's sheer joy to drive it, for now you can look some at the scenery and not keep your eye glued to the tracks just over the engine hood. Another five-mile stretch on the Vernal end will be constructed during the summer.

Red Canyon Lodge at Green Lakes has some 10 cabins available. The food in the dining room is good, and tables later in the evening can be removed for dancing. You can go boating on the lake, fish, or rent horses for trail riding. This also is headquarters for the Reynolds River expeditions, which use wooden cataract boats for trips through the great gorges of the Green River. Other boat trips are operated out of Vernal by Bus Hatch and his crew, using rubber boats for fast water junkets. And just three-quarters of a mile from Green Lakes you drive out on the Red Canyon Overlook to a majestic view. Sheer cliffs drop 1,500 feet to the Green River on both sides of the mile-wide canyon. This section of the river will be a gigantic reservoir with completion of the Flaming Gorge Dam.

DINOSAUR National Monument is still not accessible.

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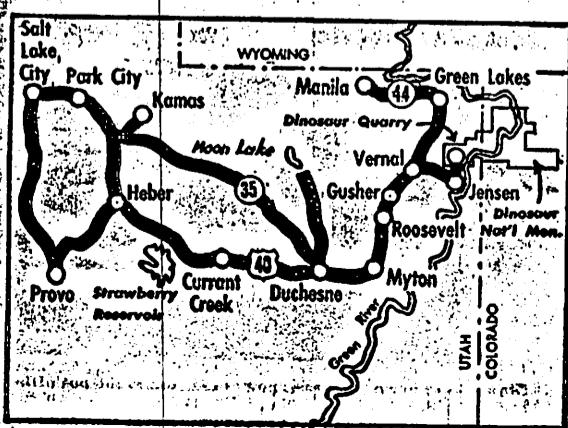
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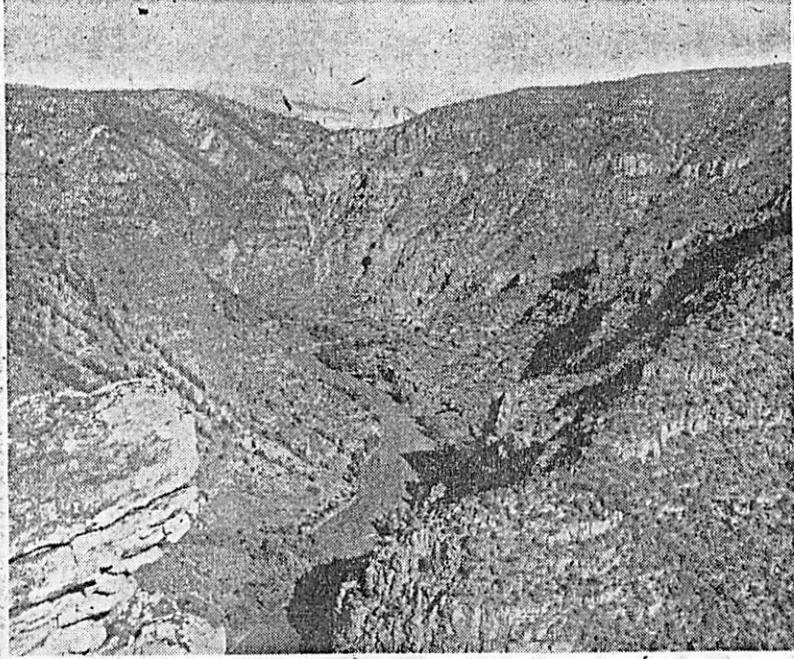
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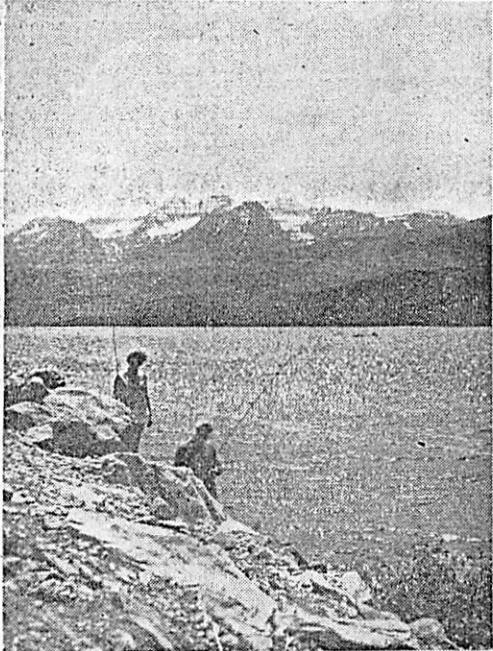
View from Red Canyon overlook—where cliffs drop 1,500 feet to the Green.

ble to the casual traveler. You can visit headquarters just out of Jensen, and look over the quarry where fossils of these prehistoric monsters are being uncovered. But to see the rugged, remote canyon country means boat, horse or hiking trips, or flight by chartered planes. You can drive to Harper Corners and get a fine view of one section of the Green River Canyon, but roads into the canyon are pretty primitive, with washouts occurring to make them impassable in spots.

The basin is a great pheasant and duck hunting area, while deer and elk hunters throng the mountain areas each fall.

There are many petroglyphs of the Basketmakers on cliffs in the immediate vicinity of Vernal, while in Nine-Mile Canyon, between Myton and Wellington are some remarkable prehistoric ruins, which require a three-mile hike to see.

U.S. 40 is a fast way back to Salt Lake City—unless the sight of Strawberry Reservoir reminds you there's big ones there and "let's stop and take a mess of trout home." You'll have the same ideas swinging into Heber, around Deer Creek Reservoir, and down the Provo River. Or if your party is hot and dusty and wants to relax a few hours swimming and loafing around the Midway Hot Pots will be invigorating.



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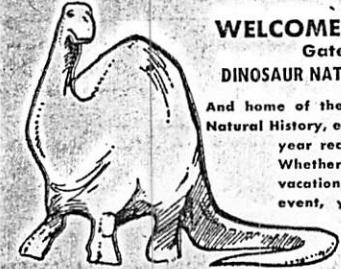
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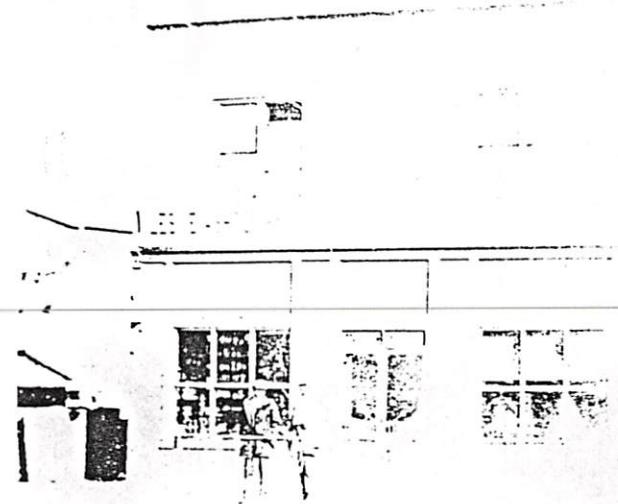


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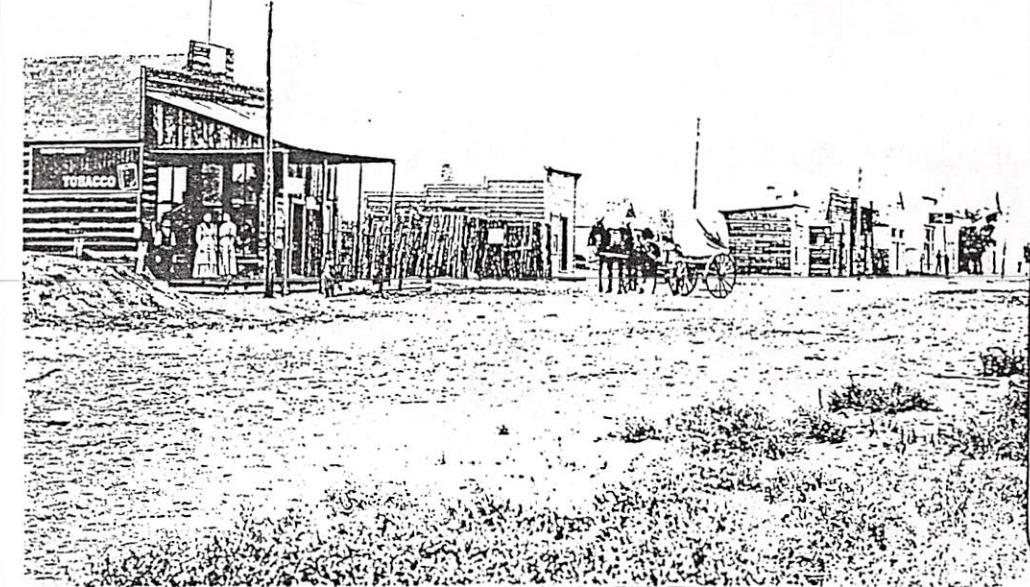
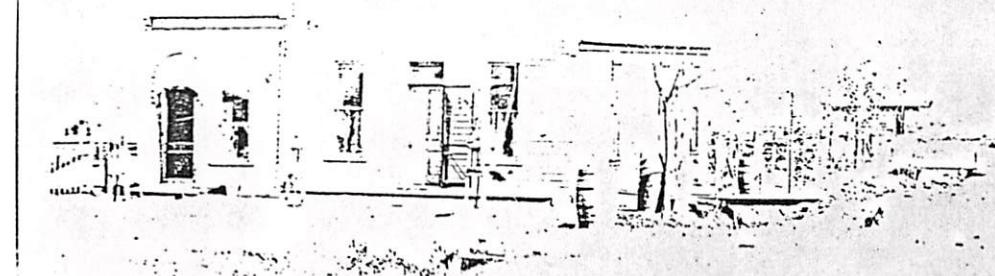
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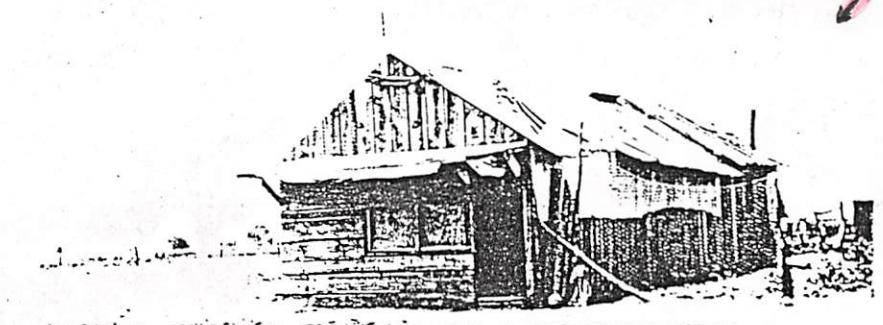
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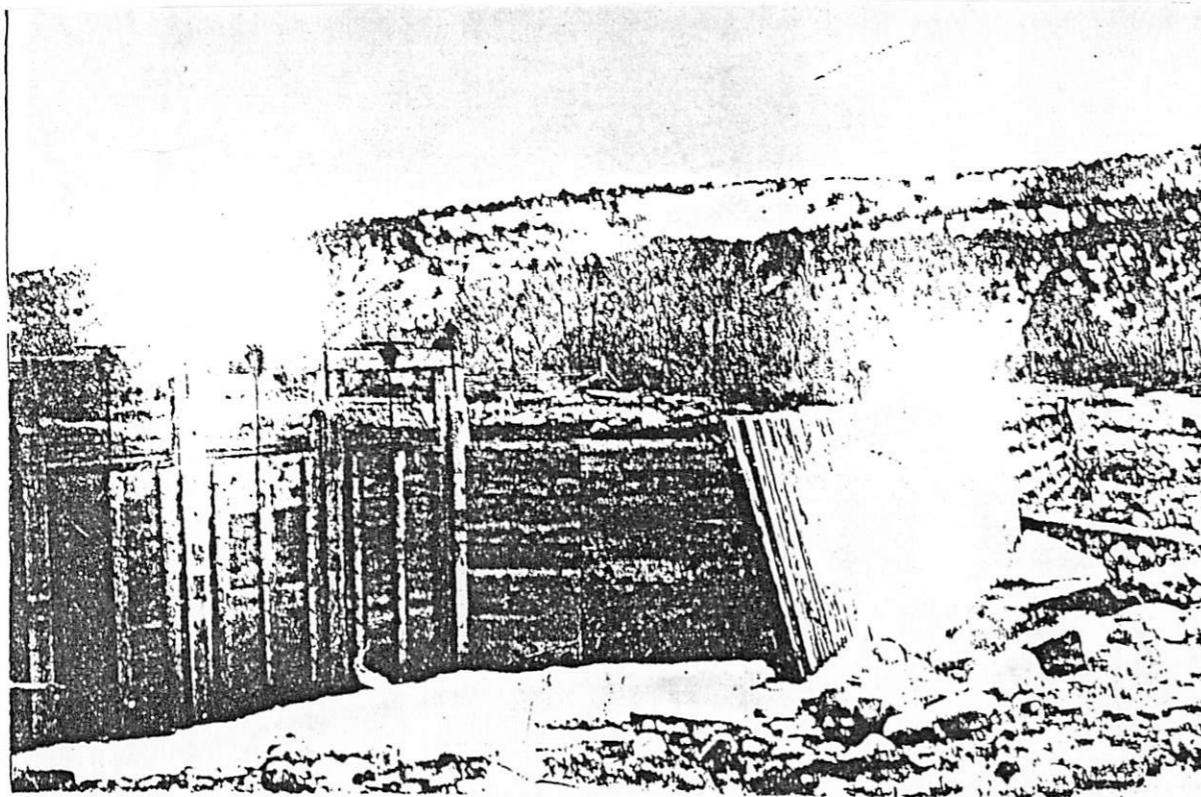
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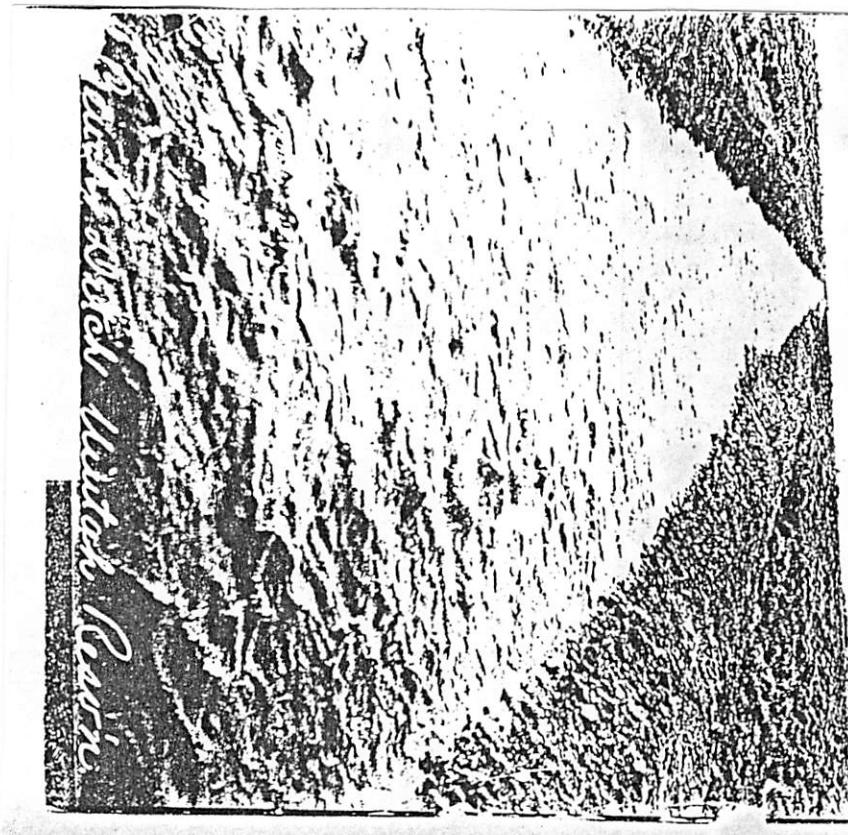
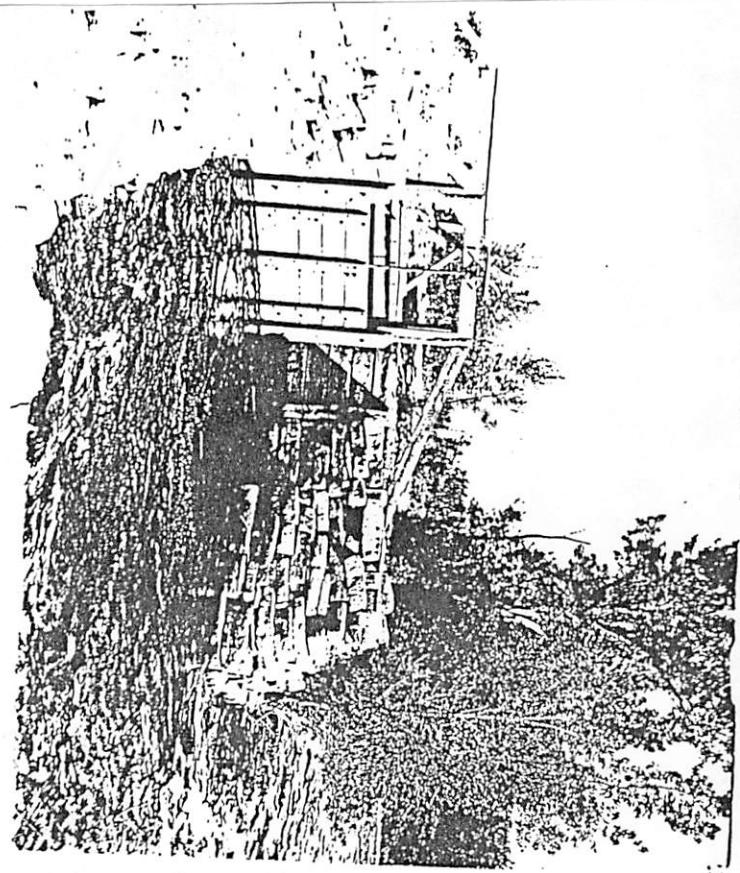
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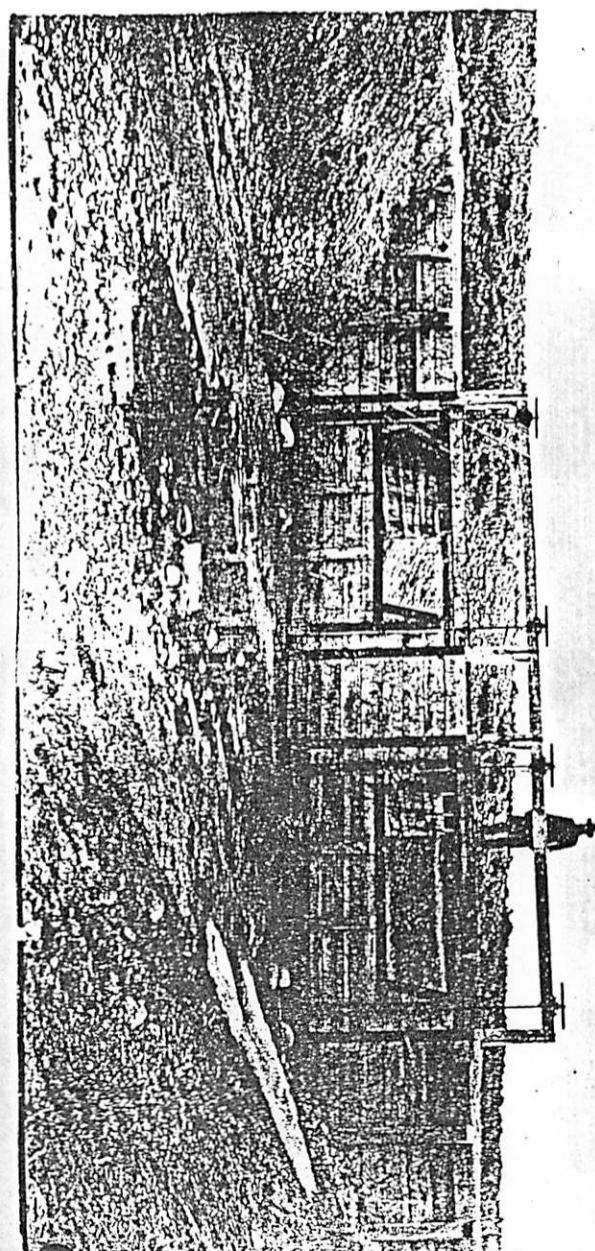


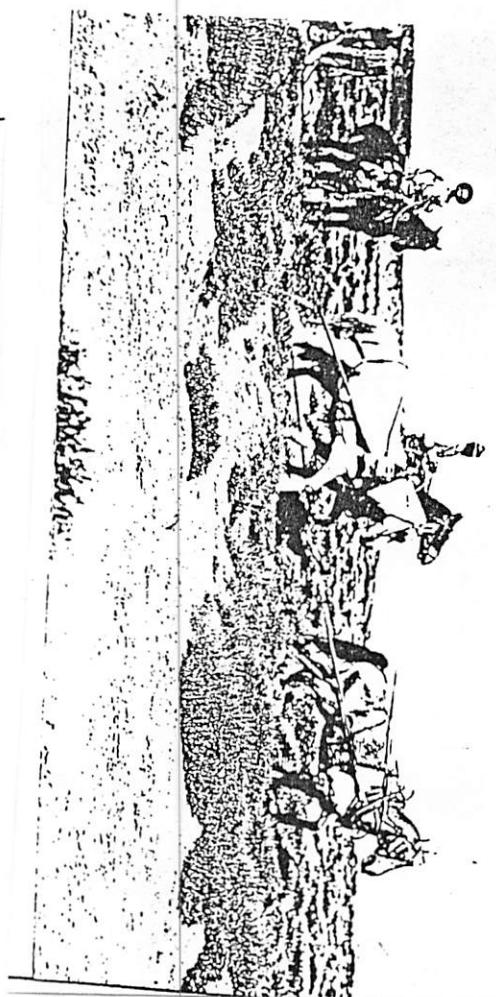
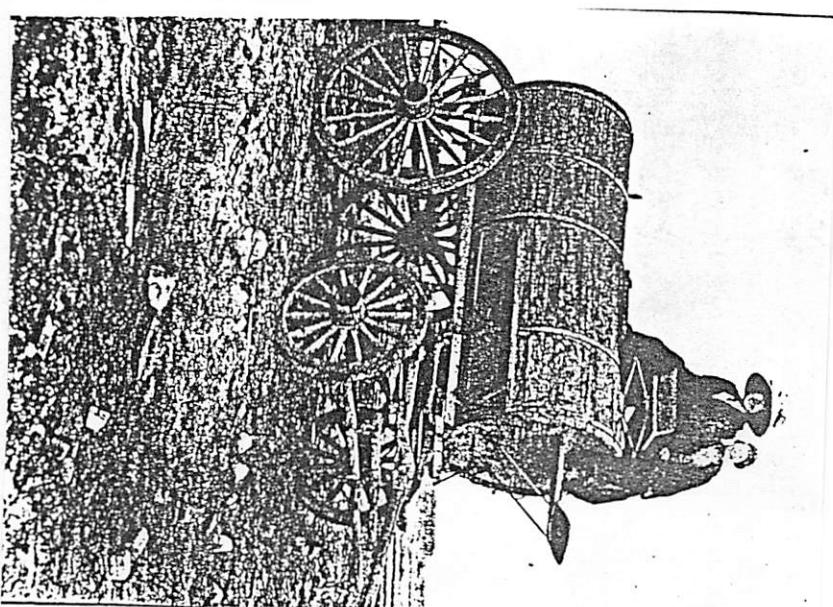
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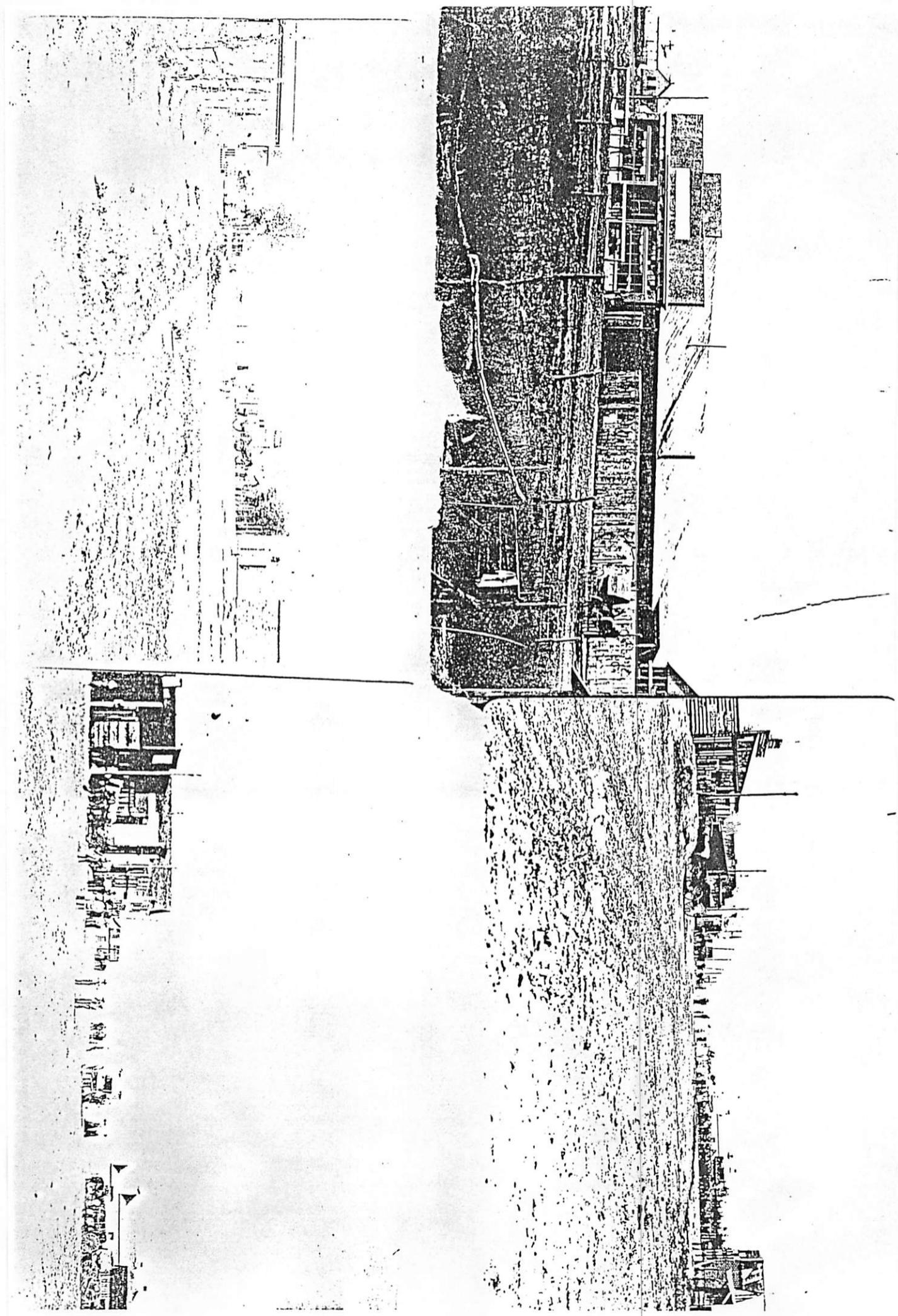


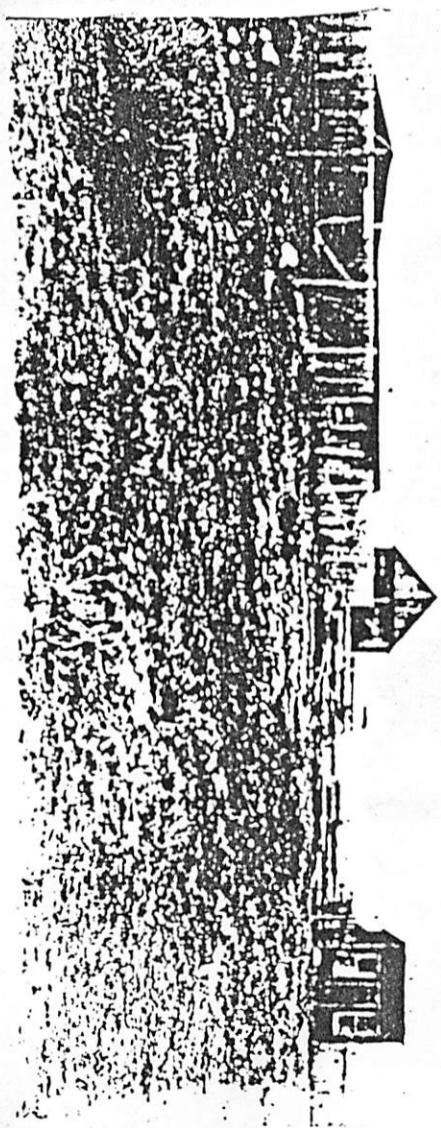
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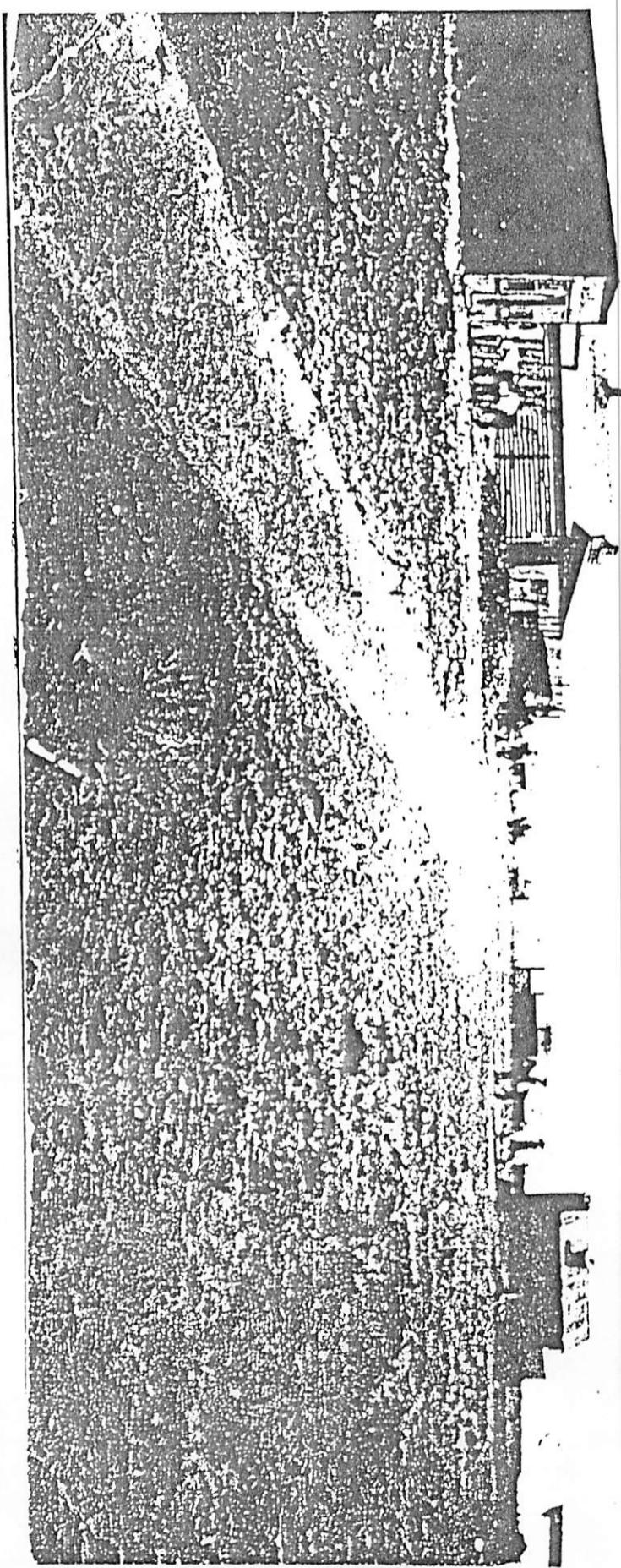


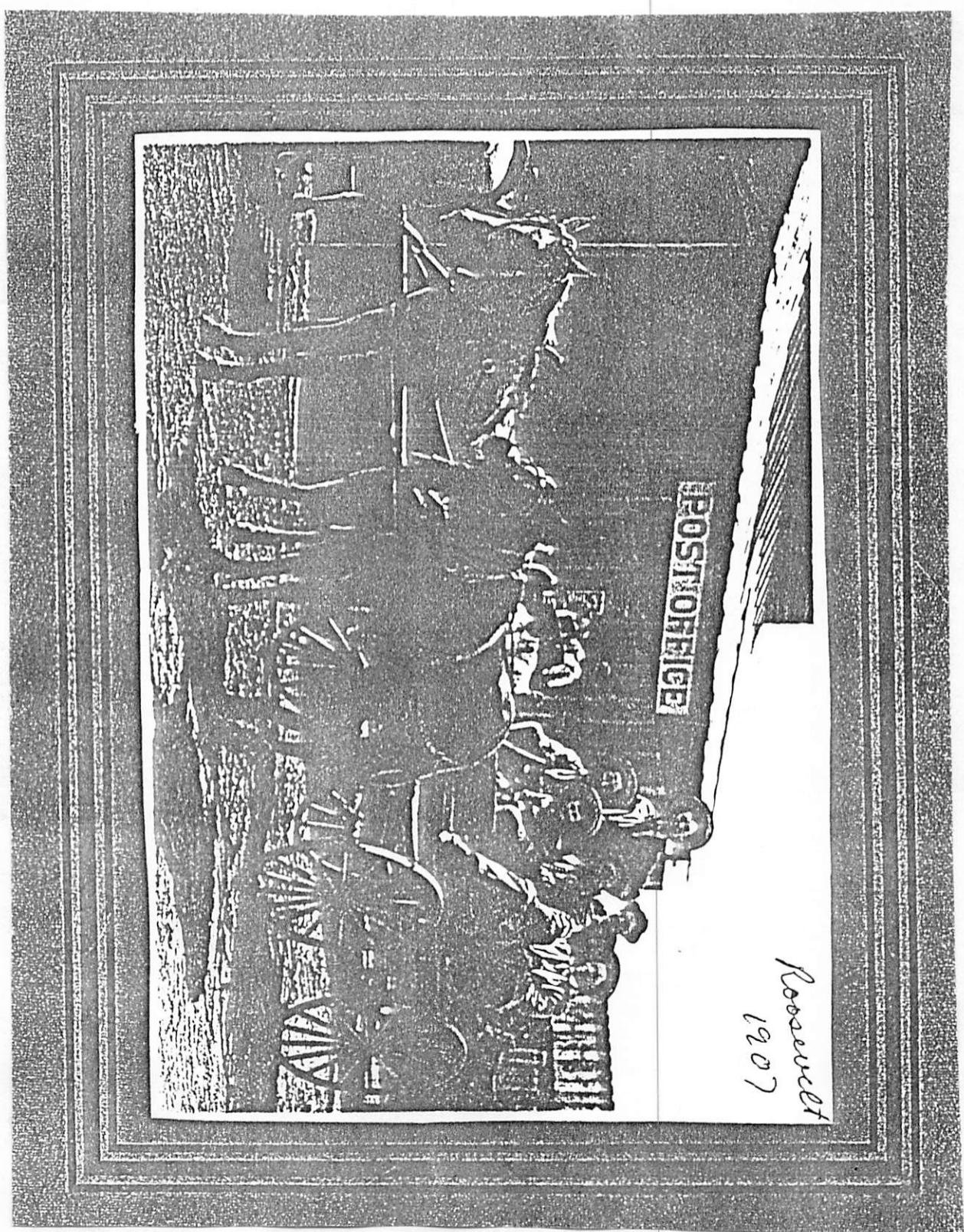


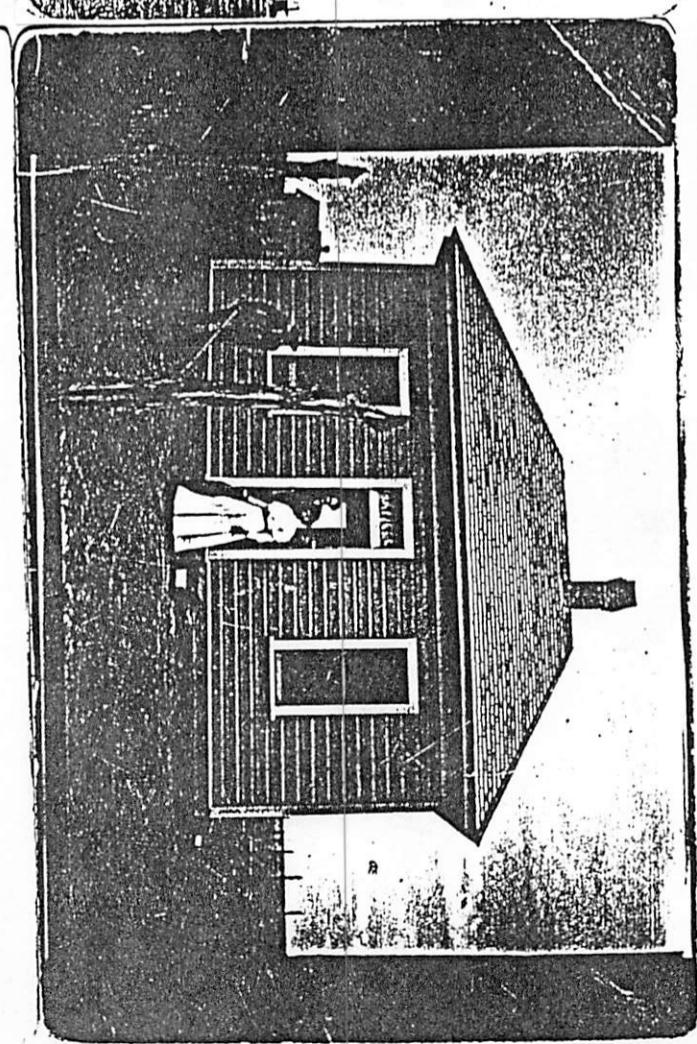
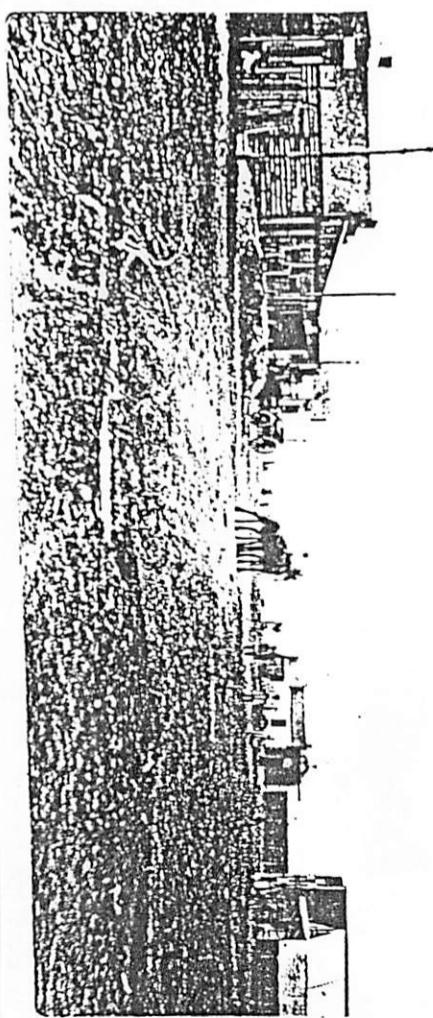
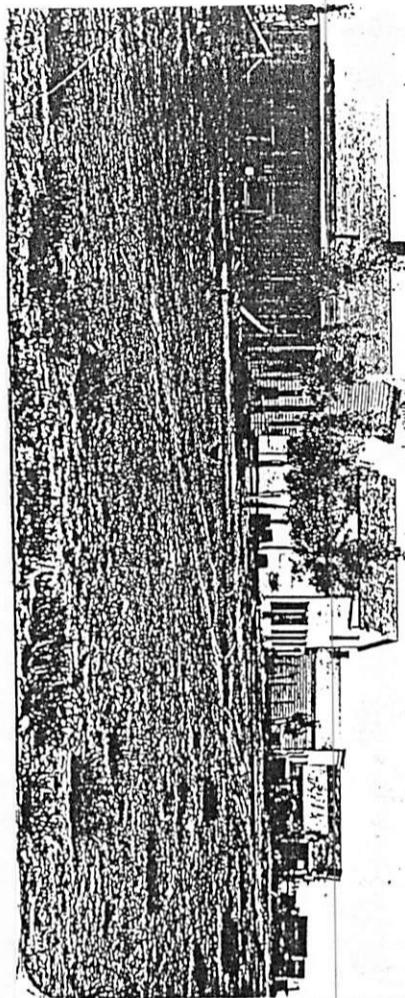


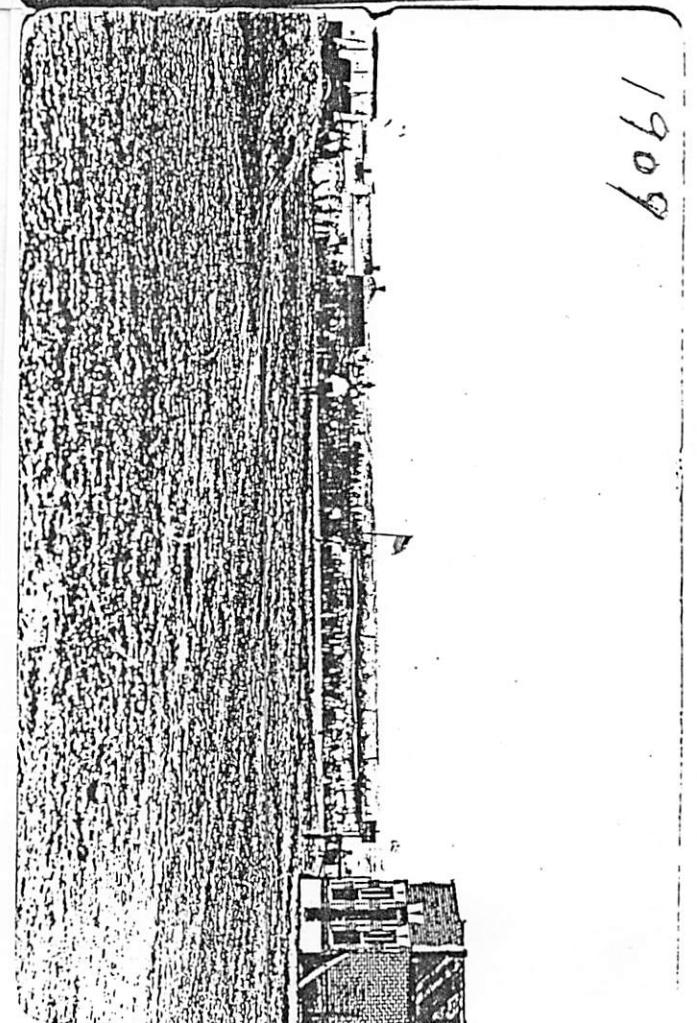
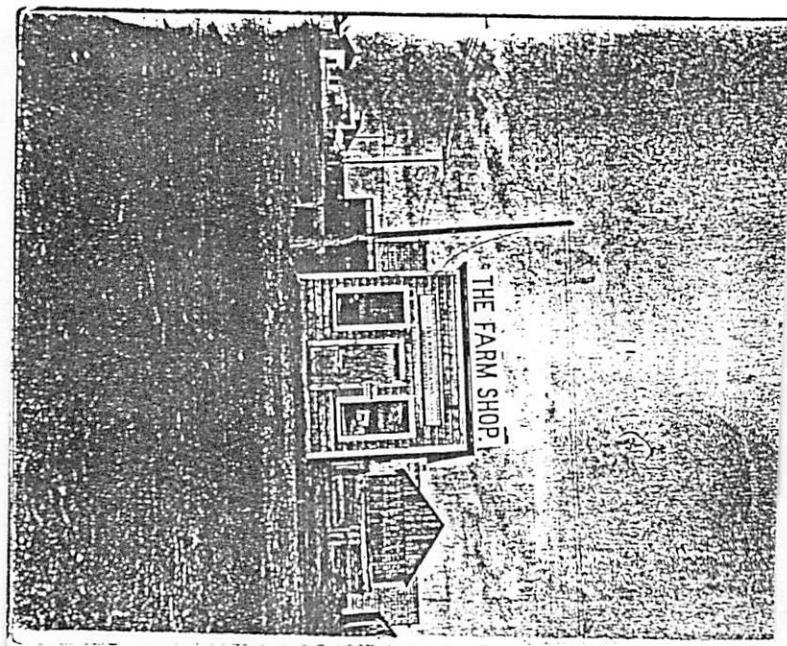
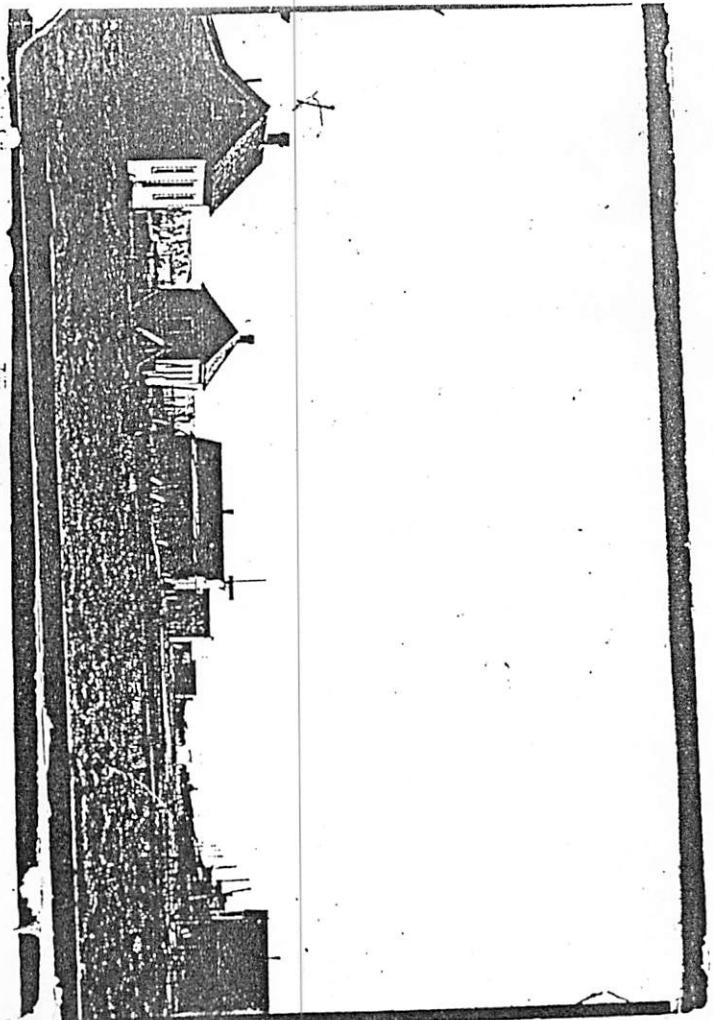
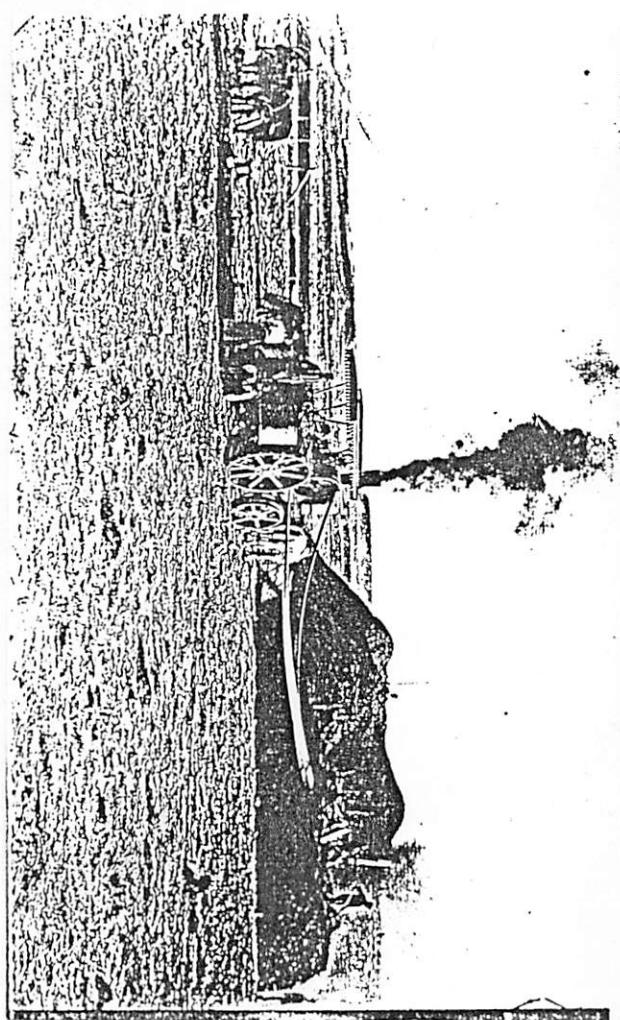
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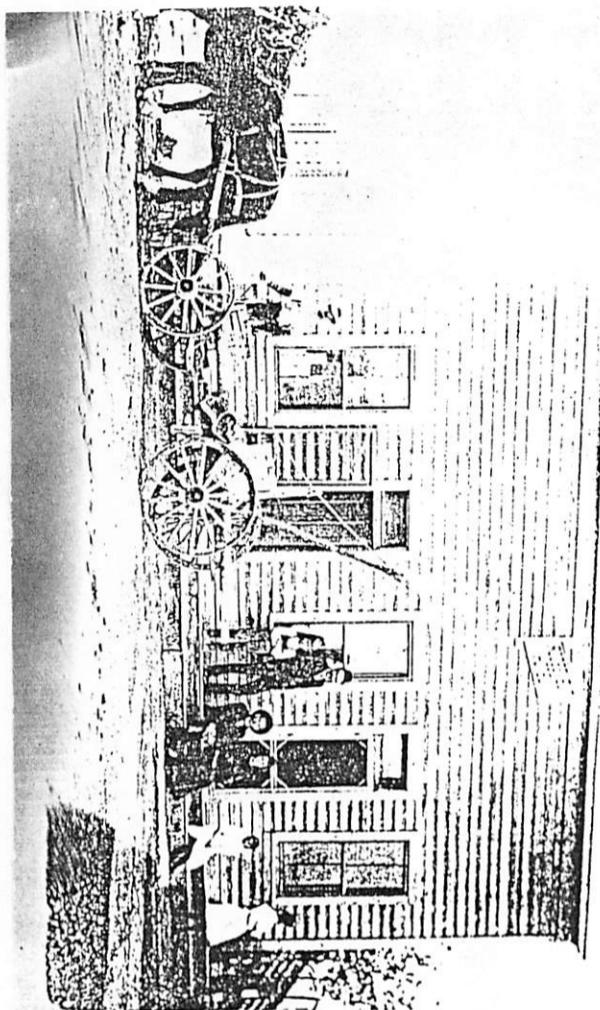




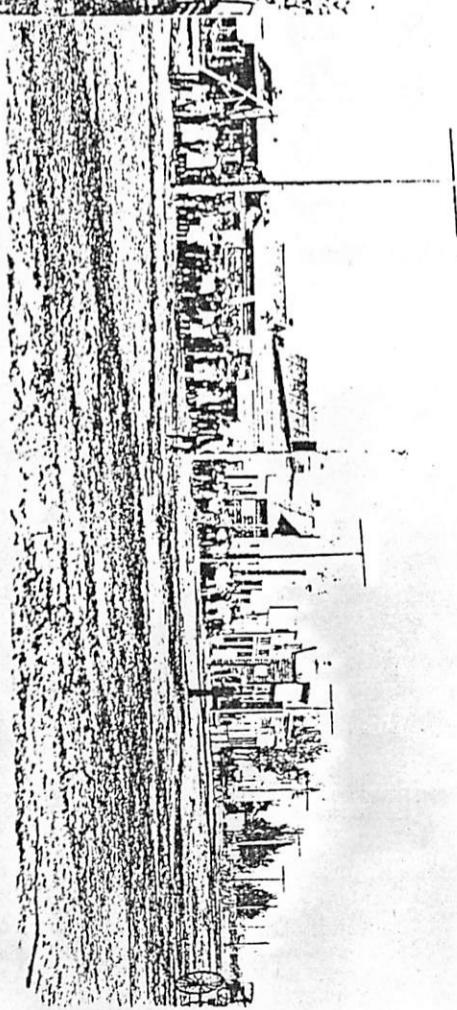
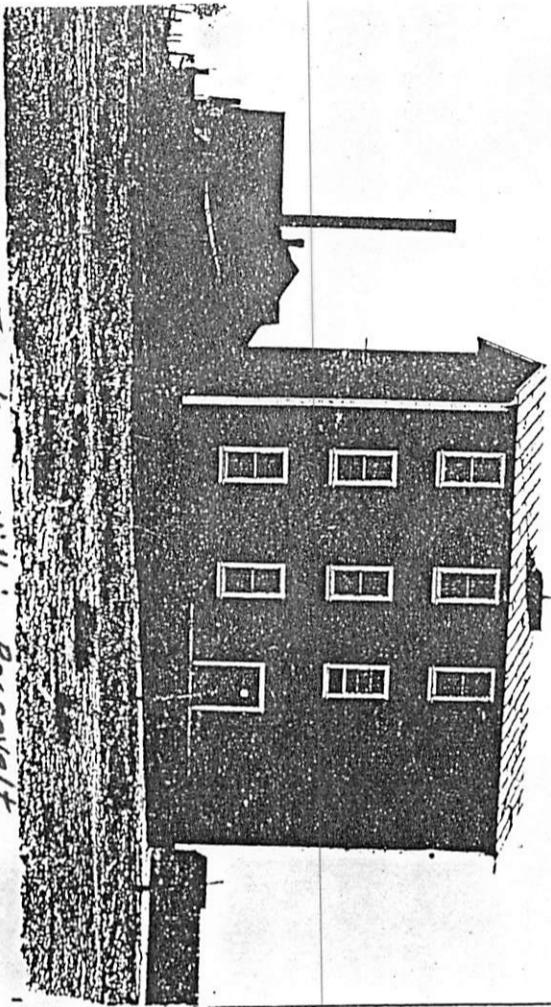




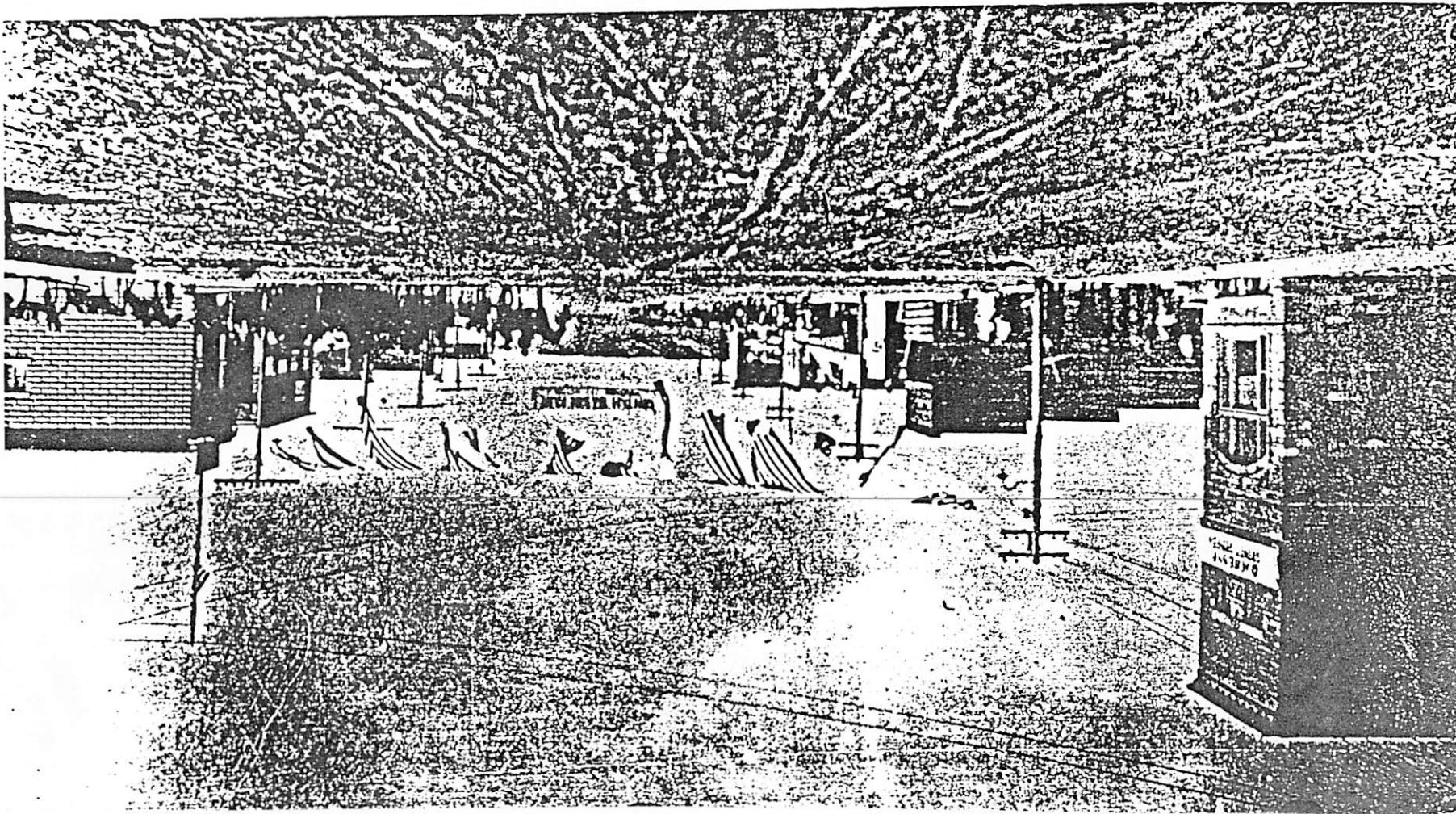
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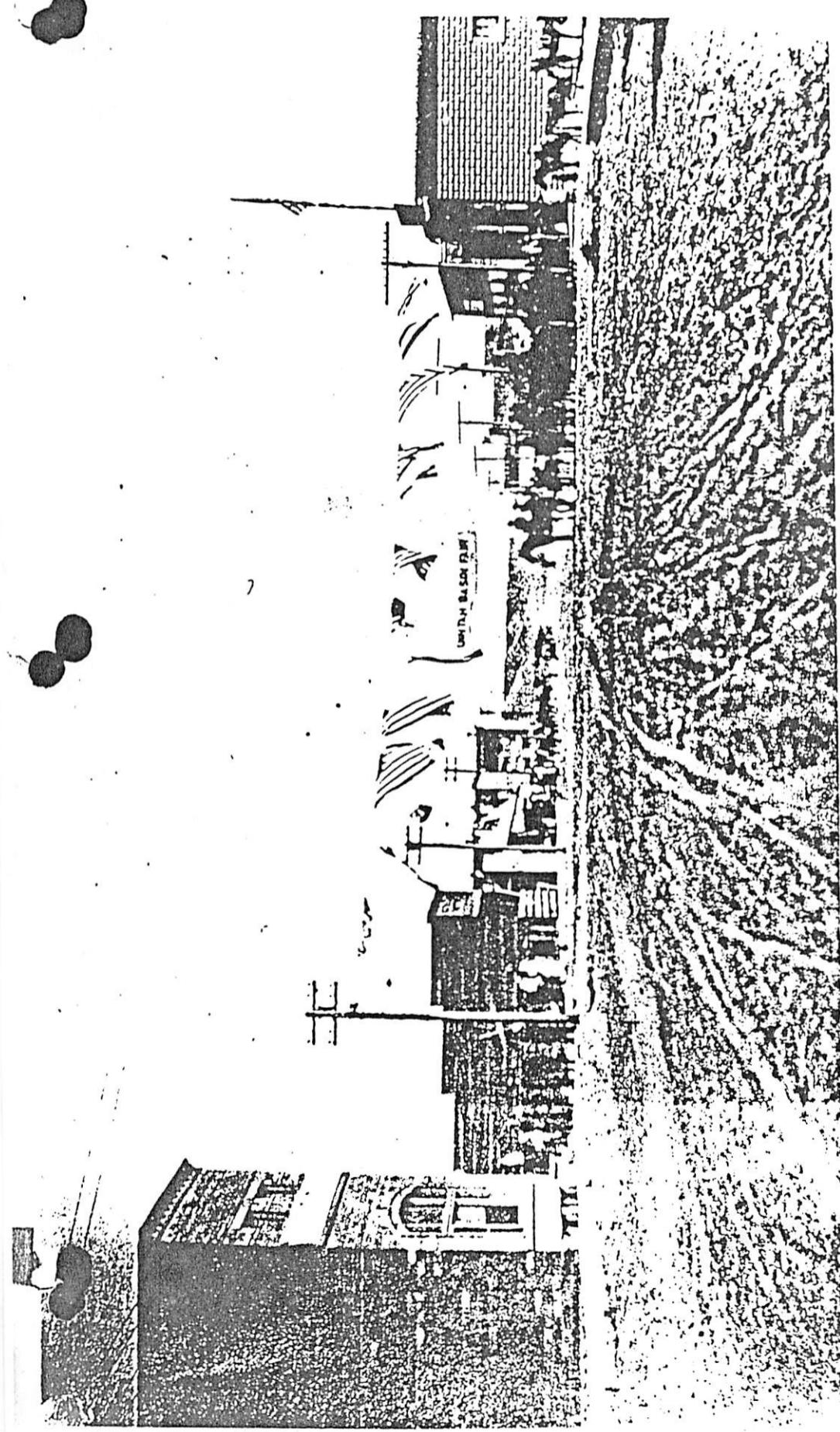


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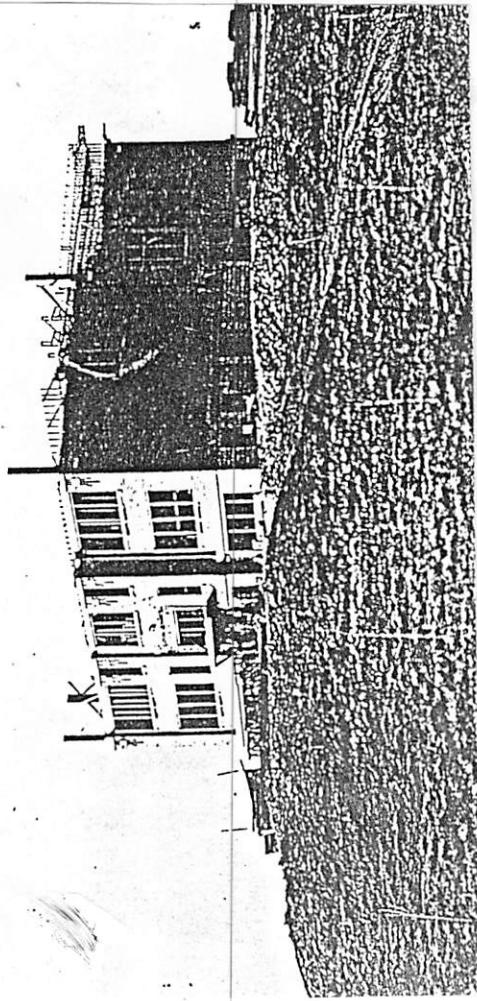


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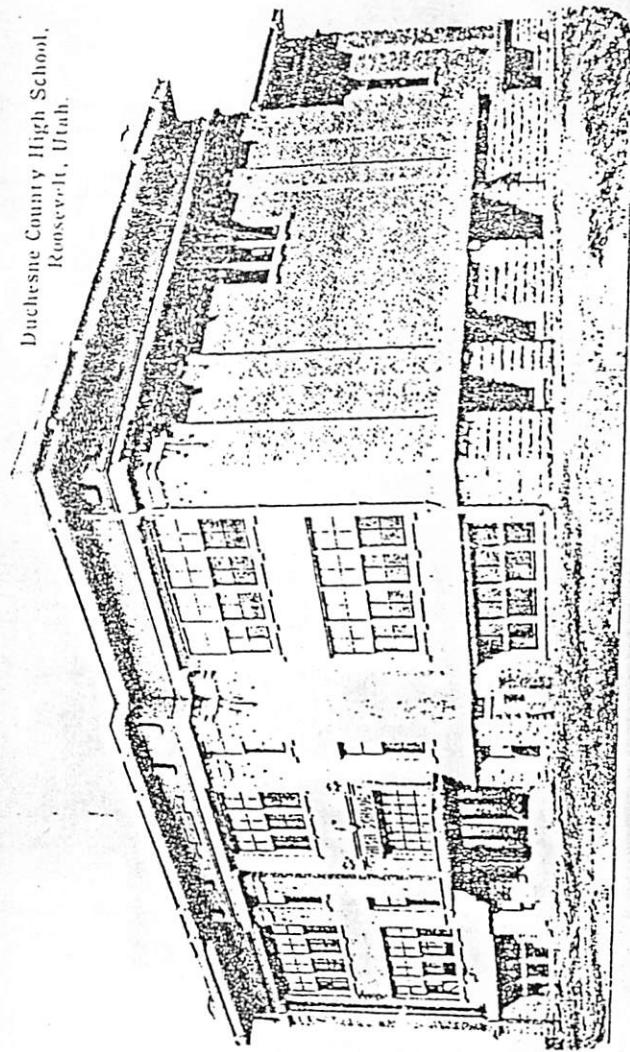




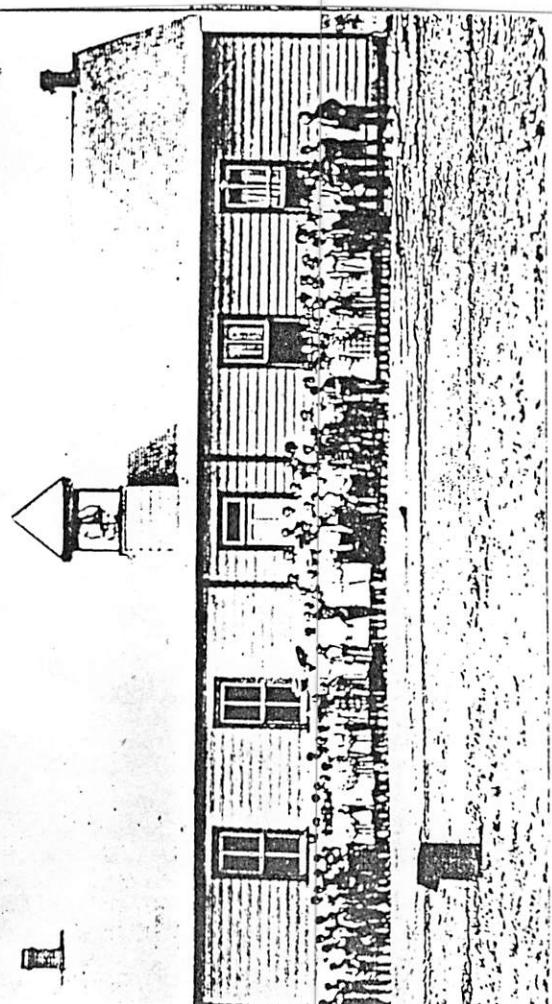
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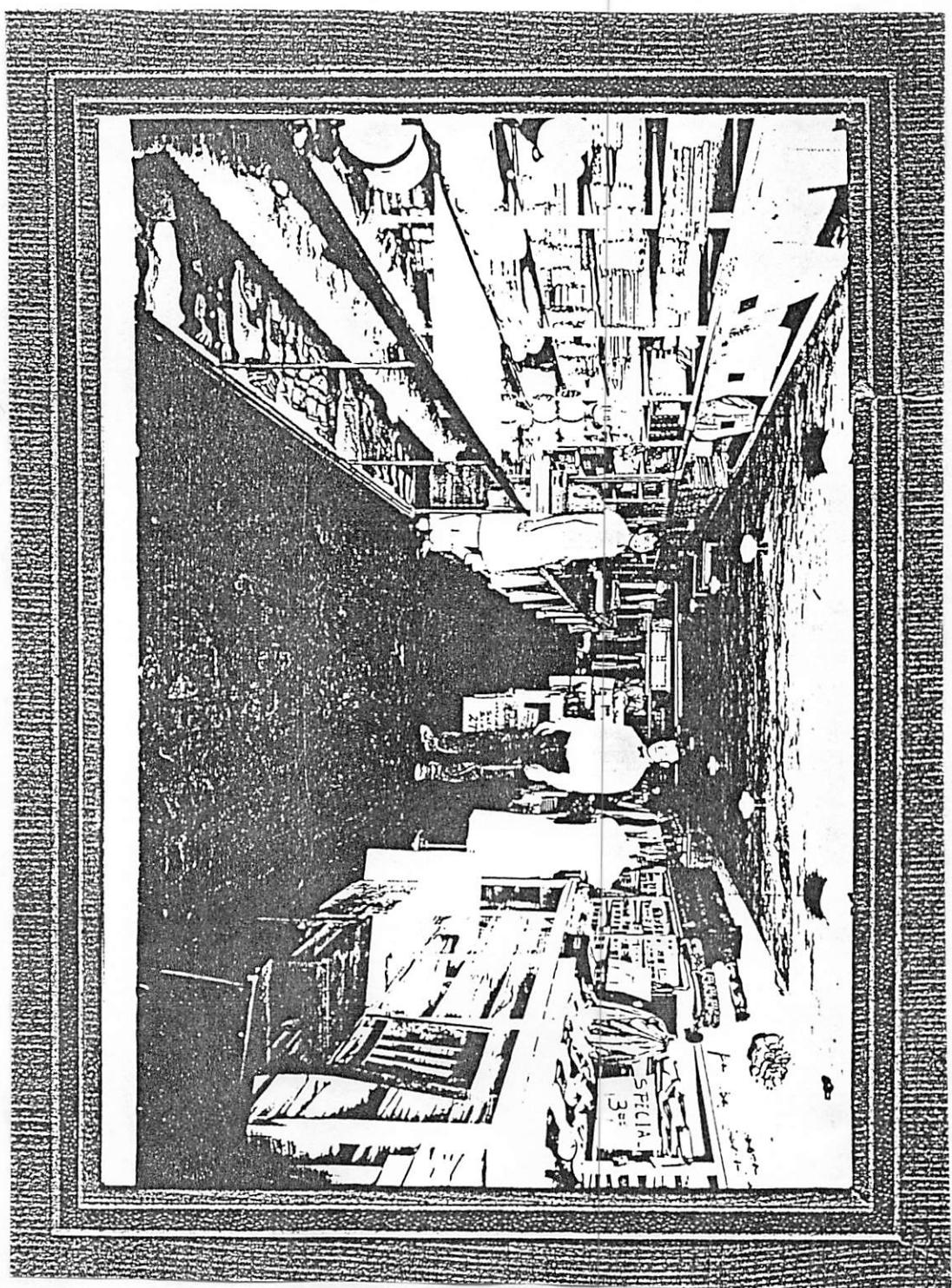
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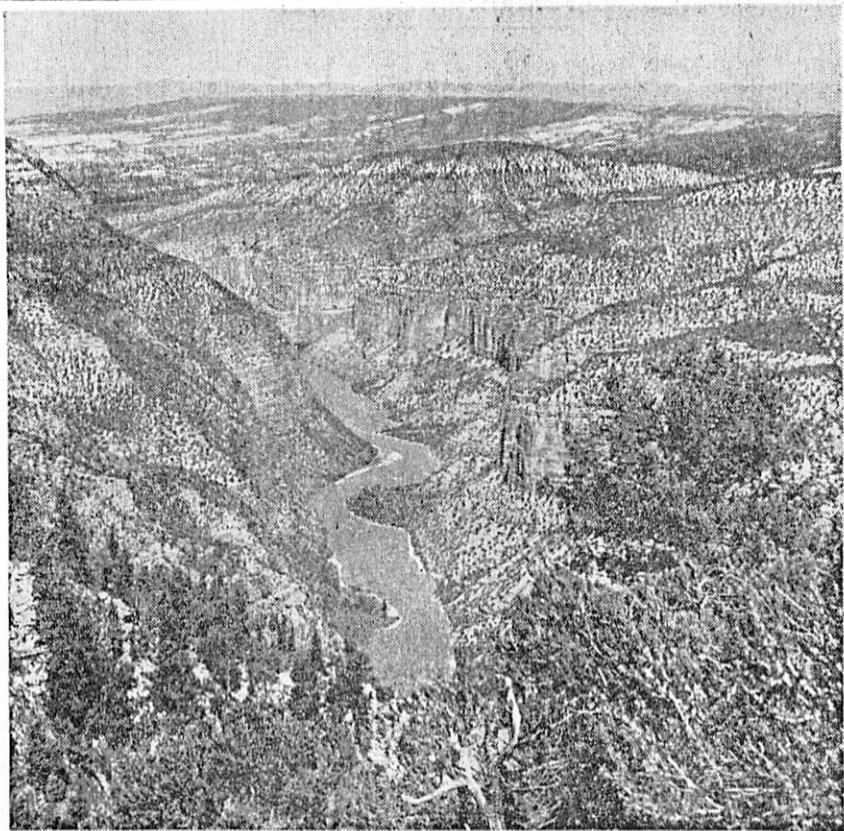


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Store next to old Roosevelt Hotel

BUSINESS NEWS

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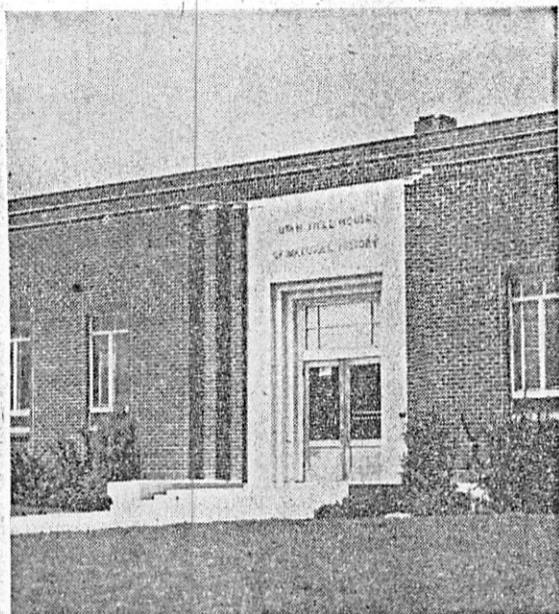
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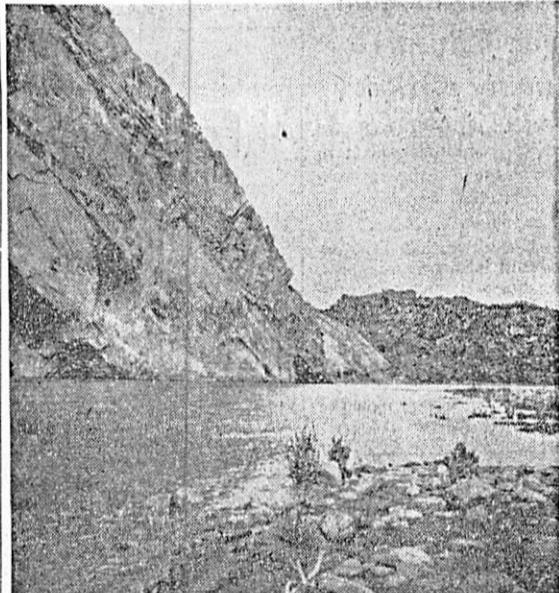
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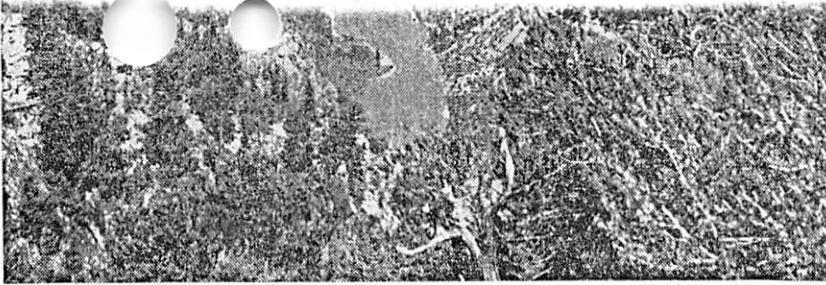
MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY—Focal point of interest in Utah's Dinosaur area in Uintah Basin has been a Utah Field House of Natural History at Vernal. Under direction of E. G. Untermann, the museum, with its elaborate displays and murals, provides valuable information about the Basin's past.



DINOSAUR NATIONAL MONUMENT—Many wonders await the visitors to Dinosaur National Monument where bones of ancient dinosaurs are being unearthed. Here even the Green River seems intent on unveiling secrets of the past as it bores great holes into the Split Mountain.



WHERE ESCALANTE CROSSED—A marble marker on a hilltop between Vernal and Split Mountain shows where Escalante crossed the Green River in 1776. The feat seems monumental considering the depth and width of the Green in this spot.



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Unbelievable splendor trails the Green River on its course through Uintah County. As it travels through Dinosaur National Monument it offers pageantry to river-runners, motorist or hiker. Mysterious caves gape at the edge of the river offering shelter to man or wildlife.

Vernal is wealthy in its own right from mineral, oil, ranching and farming income. Add to all this a lucrative tourist trade from the never-ending stream of traffic pounding across Highway 40 to and from eastern cities.

State road improvements being made on Highway 44 from Vernal to Manila already have stepped up the traffic flow into Vernal from Wyoming.

Vernal is also enjoying its share of the prosperity derived from the bettered condition of the Indians living on the Uintah and Ouray Indian reservation. Now enjoying their government royalties, the Indians are trading in Basin cities to better their living standards.

Visitors find informative enjoyment in a visit to the Utah Field House of Natural History which has swung the historic spotlight on Vernal.

Hosted by genial G. E. Untermann, guests learn some of the long buried secrets of the Uintah Basin.

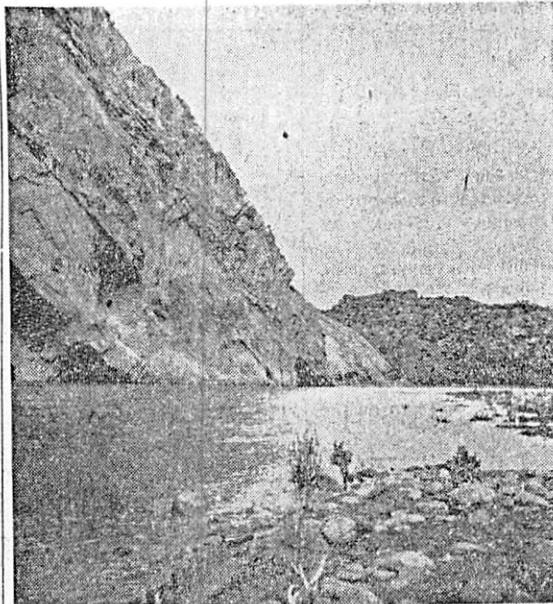


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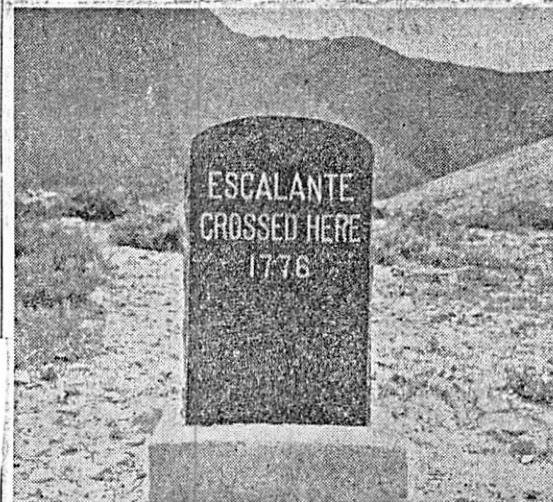


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MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY—Focal point of interest in Utah's Dinosaur area in Uintah Basin has been a Utah Field House of Natural History at Vernal. Under direction of E. G. Untermann, the museum, with its elaborate displays and murals, provides valuable information about the Basin's past.



DINOSAUR NATIONAL MONUMENT—Many wonders await the visitors to Dinosaur National Monument where bones of ancient dinosaurs are being unearthed. Here even the Green River seems intent on unveiling secrets of the past as it bores great holes into the Split Mountain.



WHERE ESCALANTE CROSSED — A marble marker on a hilltop between Vernal and Split Mountain shows where Escalante crossed the Green River in 1776. The feat seems monumental considering the depth and width of the Green in this spot.

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FAMOUS BEAR DANCE—Indian women get their choice of partners in the famous Bear Dance well known at Roosevelt and areas surrounding. This picture shows women lined up ready to select their companions for the ceremonial dance which heralds spring.



TOP RESIDENTIAL TOWN—Roosevelt boasts comfortable, shady streets lined with fine homes. A special improvement district which will improve streets, gutters and sidewalks is now 75 per cent complete.

Town Of The Week

Aura Of Old West Fills Roosevelt

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By DOROTHY REA
News Staff Writer

An aura of the Old West hovers over the modern city of Roosevelt.

Located as the hub of the Uintah Basin, Roosevelt transacts its own business and is the business center for 10,000 rural neighbors.

The daily scene is highlighted by the colorful garb of the Indian and the broad hats and boots of neighboring ranchers.

The Indian garb, the broad hats and boots are symbols of Roosevelt's economy. Indians spend much of their government income in Roosevelt. The ranchers bring vast wealth through

livestock, crops and dairy products.

Also in Roosevelt's plentious pocket are uranium, potash and gilsonite with the added wealth of the producing oil wells spotted across the Uintah Basin.

Rugged History

Roosevelt looks back to a rugged pioneer history, well punctuated with tales of "cowboys and Indians."

It looks back to a happy day in 1912 when the town held its first fair in The Hay Palace, according to Mrs. Faye Jensen. Stars and Stripes were proudly flown from the big arena made of baled hay and roofed with canvas.

Roosevelt looks to its good neighbor Fort Duchesne for much historical lore.

The old fort was first a military post for the U.S. Army. In 1921, Warren G. Harding in an order from the White House ordered the military reservation at Ft. Duchesne turned over to the U.S. Department of Interior.

Indian Agency

Today, the Indian agency headquarters at Ft. Duchesne is in charge of services for the full blood members of the Uintah, Ouray, Utes, Piutes at Kanosh,

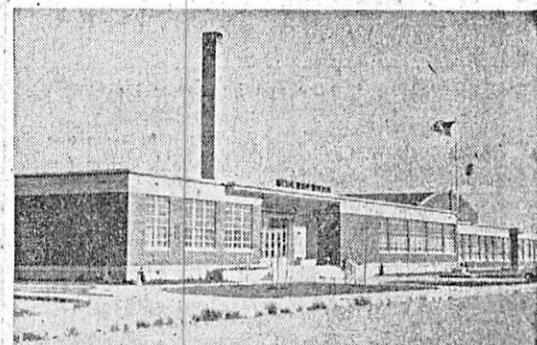
Koosharem at Cedar City, Chivwits at St. George and Klabab Plutes at Kanab.

The agency is operated under the Department of Interior. Law enforcement services, courts, welfare offices, medical offices and many other services to the Indians are handled at the fort.

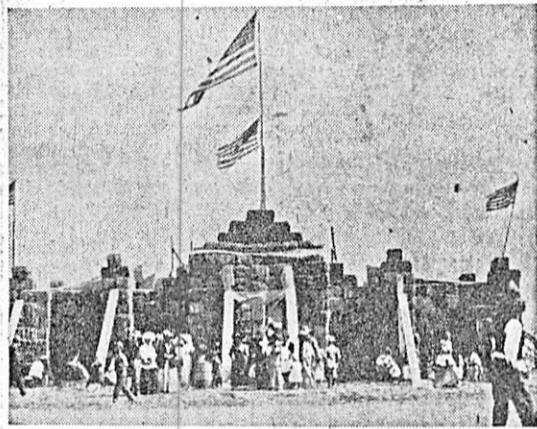
Roosevelt is the home of the Uintah Basin Industrial Convention which has been held each year. The industrial convention began in 1923 when instruction became desirable for the people in agriculture, livestock, home economics and business.

With the exception of a few years in the 1940's the convention has been held each year. The sessions are led by experts including top industrialists, educators and religious leaders.

The town is enjoying prosperity at present and looks ahead to the advantages which the building of the Colorado River Storage Project will bring to the basin.



NEW UNION HIGH SCHOOL—The new high school at Roosevelt is typical of all that is new in school buildings. There were 450 students enrolled during the past school year from the area.



A BACKWARD GLANCE—Looking back to Sept. 20, 1912, Roosevelt recalls the Hay Palace, built to accommodate the first fair in the town. In the absence of a large building, hay was stacked and covered with canvas.



WHERE OFFICERS ONCE LIVED—History of Ft. Duchesne is recalled by the old mansions once occupied by army officers. The military reservation was turned to department of interior in 1921.



CITY ADMINISTRATION—Roosevelt city business is transacted at a modern city hall adjacent to the town fire hall which houses modern fire fighting equipment.

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'Oldest Indian,' 116, Succumbs

Special to The Tribune

ROOSEVELT—Mrs. Martha Tav-i-an Lincoln, 116—born in 1848, the year gold was discovered in California and the French dethroned Louis Philippe—died Saturday morning at Roosevelt.



Mrs. Lincoln

The woman, who spoke only Ute and talked only through an interpreter, claimed to remember the Mormons coming to the Uintah Basin, the Meeker Massacre in Colorado in 1879 and Denver when it was little more than a few cabins.

MRS. LINCOLN'S HUSBAND was named Abe, as was the Civil War President who was assassinated the year she was 17. Her husband, born in 1849, died in 1925. They had no children. A half-brother, Tareapont, was born in 1850 and died in 1931, and a brother, Petinwyfield (Red Pipe Xun-casheets) was born in 1882 and died in 1929. The only known survivor is a grand niece at Whiterocks.

Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday at 1 p.m. at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Mission, Whiterocks, with burial at the John Harmes Cemetery, Whiterocks. Friends may call at the church Tuesday four hours prior to services.

Dam Construction Races Weather

By FAYE JENSEN
Deseret News correspondent

ROOSEVELT—Hopes are high for the completion of the Big Sand Wash Dam this fall as W. M. Construction Co. has put all its efforts towards finishing the dirt fill of the dam before hard frosts hit.

Grant Bleazard, superintendent of construction for the contractor, said this should be finished within two weeks if weather permits.

Right now a full crew is working a 10-hour shift each day in an effort to get the job done. If they can get all of the Zone A fill done (the dirt which forms the center of the dam) the rip rap, or rock portion of the dam can be done even if there is heavy frost.

The contractor has chosen to

go all out to try to finish it this fall and with any kind of cooperation from the weather the dam could be completely finished by mid-or-late November. A shutdown on the dam occurred about July 24 and work recommenced on Sept. 9 with preparatory work started on Sept. 3.

Changes in the original contract had made difficulties between the Moon Lake Water Users Association and the contractor and work was stopped until these disagreements could be settled.

Work was continued with modifications of certain items of the old contract. The new agreement says the old contract is in effect except for some items. As soon as the dirt part of the dam is finished, ponding will begin and water will be backed up so the State Fish and Game De-

partment can begin planting

fish. It is planned that plantings

of one pound trout will be made.

There will also be plantings of

fingerlings if this can be done

by the first of November.

One factor that is slowing con-

struction now is that fill dirt of

the right kind has to be hauled

from a mile out from the dam

because all of the dirt that is

suitable from nearby has been

used.

Construction of the boat ramp will start immediately. This ramp will be on the south side of the reservoir where some 80 acres of land will be set aside for a recreation area. The dual purpose reservoir will be one of the recreation spots of the Duchesne County area and will

also be a boon to farmers of the

area who will benefit from the

increased storage of water for

irrigation use.



This air view of Big Sand Wash Dam construction shows dam in foreground and dike extending to right. Reservoir will fill area in center left.

Deseret News aerial photo by Faye Jensen

Winds Strip Hanging Tree

ROOSEVELT — This area's famed "Hanging Tree" lost a few limbs in recent high winds, but the fire-scarred old Cottonwood looks good for a few more seasons.

The giant tree died a few years ago, apparently from old age. Wind, weather and fire have since reduced it to a gaunt trunk and three or four stumps of limbs. However, it's still somewhat of a landmark.

Before the turn of the century, its spreading branches provided welcome shade for persons traveling to and from a government sawmill which furnished lumber for Fort Duchesne which was then being built.

Old timers tell of an incident in which several rustlers were caught by vigilantes near the tree and it served as a convenient scaffold for their execution.

Another tale is to the effect



Four youngsters link arms to span "Hanging Tree."

that a Negro was lynched from the same tree.

The historical background of the tree became generally known after E. T. Patry bought the surrounding land after the government reservation was thrown open to settlers.

The property now belongs to Winterton Brothers of Roosevelt, livestock growers.

Bill Patry, whose father formerly owned the land, tells of the time a young friend of his from Provo decided to loaf under the tree while Bill was mowing hay.

Bill's Uncle Albert came by and related the story of the hangings. The young Provoan suddenly developed a penchant for work rather than lazing under the tree.

The tree provided refuge for a hive of wild bees for several years, but now is largely forsaken by wild things.